

**The New York State
Sexual Assault Reform Act (SARA)
Sexual Assault Forensic Examiner (SAFE) Program
New York State Department of Health
Revised November 2004**

New York State is deeply committed to protecting New Yorkers from violent crimes. For more than seven years we've passed tougher laws, and developed technological advances in DNA testing and forensics to help secure felony convictions for violent crimes. The creation of New York's SAFE programs in designated hospitals statewide builds on this commitment by further strengthening access to high quality, compassionate care for survivors of sexual assaults, while offering our dedicated law enforcement officers yet another tool to help make our communities safer, more vibrant places to live in, work and raise a family.

Governor George E. Pataki

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Applications accepted on a continuous basis

Submit application to:
Rape Crisis Program
Bureau of Women's Health
Corning Tower, Room 1805
Empire State Plaza
Albany, New York 12237-0621